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## MEMORANDUM

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**Subject: Mental Health Beds at Niagara Health St. Catharines Site**

**Date: July 9, 2019**

**To: Public Health & Social Services Committee**

**From: M. Mustafa Hirji, Medical Officer of Health & Commissioner (Acting)**

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At the April 25, 2019 meeting of Regional Council, discussion occurred around the number of mental health beds at the St. Catharines Site of Niagara Health. In particular, there was some concern that an initial plan to have 50 beds had been scaled back and now there were only six beds.

Based on follow-up with Niagara Health, the following are the numbers of mental health beds at the St. Catharines Site:

Unit	Number of Beds
Acute Unit 1B	21
Acute Unit 1M	24
Specialized Unit 1A	24
Transition to Independent Living Unit	6
Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit	9
Psychiatric Emergency Service	4
<b>Total Mental Health Beds</b>	<b>88</b>

There are a total of 88 mental health beds at the Niagara Health St. Catharines Site.

Respectfully submitted and signed by

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